

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph 19 on page 5 with the following:

Cylindrical contact pin 35 is electrically conductive, and is connected to an electrical device (not shown) external to chip 13. Pin 35 has a diameter greater than the original, unstressed minimum breadth of opening 27, and less than that of hole 29. As illustrated in Figure 3, when pin 35 is inserted through opening 27, it stresses opening 27 by forcing the centrifugal bending of flexible fingers 20, 21, 23 and 25, thereby increasing the minimum breadth of opening 27 until it equals the diameter of pin 35. This causes the unsupported ends of fingers 20, 21, 23 and 25 to contact and exert a normal force against the lateral side of pin 35. As shown in Figure 3, the bending of the fingers 20, 23, (and 21, 25 not shown) involves a cantilever-like deflection, i.e. a resilient biasing in the insertion direction of the pin without crimping or otherwise permanently bending of the fingers i.e. a deflection which produces a curvilinear contour of the cantilever when a load or force is exerted at an unsupported end in a transverse direction to a central axis of the cantilever.